Expenditures.

Exceeded Expectations.

for the year were \$605,092,734, while the re-

 Civil and miscellaneous.
 \$119,225,598,68

 War
 229,941,001,90

 Navy
 64,734,479,78

 Irdians
 12,799,983,70

 Pensions
 139,394,745,51

 Interest
 39,896,925,02

For the fiscal year 1898 the receipts were \$404,511,081, and the expenditures \$443,375,-387. During that year about \$56,000,000 was

spent on account of the war with Spain,

been in progress last year there would have

been a surplus during that year of a con-siderable sum. It is also estimated that there would have been a surplus of over

\$30,000,000 this year had the expenditures of the war not been taken into account. Secretary Gage, as already stated in The

Star, estimated that the deficit for the fiscal year which has just closed would be \$112,000,000. The Secretary's estimate was

that the receipts from customs would be \$195,000,000, and that internal revenue would bring \$270,000,000. Customs receipts have run far ahead of the Secretary's esti-

mate, the excess being \$11,500,000, and showing what improvement has been made

under the Dingley law. There was an in-

crease of over \$3,000,000 in the estimates for internal revenue. For the present fiscal year, which began

today, Secretary Gage last December esti-mated that the deficit would be \$30,000,000.

There has been such a great improvement

in the revenue producing laws of the coun-

try that the Secretary said today that he

felt satisfied that there would probably not

be a deficit for this year and that a sur-plus would be shown. This opinion, he

said, was based entirely on the estimates which had been furnished him by the War

Department. If its expenditures for this

war in the Philippines is going to cost no-body knows, and this will effect the bal-

ance at the end of this year to a consider-

The deficit for the fiscal year 1899, was

greatly reduced by the surplus during the present month. The receipts for the month of June were \$47,126,915, and the expendi-

tures only \$31,382,762, making a surplus for the month of nearly \$16,000,000. No effort

was made to cut down expenditures during

the last month and Secretary Gage issued

nstructions that every cent which could

be paid should be done, as he did not desire

the expenditures accumulating on the first of the fiscal year. on

The cash basance in the treasury at the

past fiscal year exceed any year since 1891.

PRESIDENT'S WESTERN TRIP.

It Will Not Be Attempted Before the

Middle of August.

Senator Carter of Montana called upor

the President today to present him with

formal invitations to visit Great Falls.

Helena. Butte and Missoula when he goes

on a western trip. The President said he

had not abandoned his intention to make a

western trip if conditions will permit, but

before the middle of August. He could not

fix a date and could not say positively that

he would go. He could only say that he

The President added that he would like to pass through Montana when the Montana Regiment in the Philippines has come home, as it was his desire to grasp by the hand every man who has so cheerfully remained in the Philippines and done his duty. This is taken to indicate that the President will start on his western trip late in the summer, and that he will try to

go to a number of the western states which

furnished volunteer troops in the Philip-pines. In this way he will be able to shake

hands with the returned soldiers.

The President has had prepared a roll of

the regiments which have served in the east and which are about to come home. This

shows the number of battles each regiment

was engaged in, the number of men killed wounded and died frem disease or wounds.

The roster is complete. The Nebraska Reg iment, for instance, was engaged in twenty

nine pitched battles and lost twenty-nine

killed and 160 wounded. Eight

dred members of the regiment are coming

It is stated that there are now 23,000 reg-

ular soldiers in the Philippines, 4,000 on the water bound for the islands, and 5,000

at San Francisco, awaiting transportation

RECEIVED WITH SATISFACTION.

Officials Pleased With the Reports

The reports from Samoa of the progress

being made by the joint high commission

toward a settlement of the disturbed condi-

tions there are received with satisfaction

here. As to Mr Chambers' future, nothing

has been assured. If he is to retire as part

of the scheme of compromise project d by

the commission, then it is extremely prob

able that the administration will provide

him with another post as good as this

which he is obliged to relinquish. It is sur-

mised, however, that the chief justice's re-

tirement will be entirely voluntary, in which case, of course, the President would

be relieved of the necessity of finding an

MET THE PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL.

Dewey Reception Plans of the Com-

mittee of One Hundred.

Chairman Moses, Vice Chairman Cox and

Commissioner Wight of the committee of

one hundred appointed to receive Admiral

Dewey upon his arrival in Washington

conferred with President McKinley this

morning. They told the President that they

had called by direction of the committee

to inquire if the plans which had been

made met his approval and to ask for any

suggestions he might have to make. The

President has kept pace with all that has

been done, and unhesitatingly gave his ap-

proval, saying that he is willing to do his part in contributing to the honors to be shown the here of Manila. The President

said that he hopes to be in the city when the reception is given, and will himself aid in doing henorido the admiral. From the Whitz House the committee visited the Navy Department to confer with Secretary Long and other officials.

SHOCKED AT HIS APPEARANCE.

Madame Dreyfus Overcome After

Meeting Her Husband.

RENNES, July 1.-Madame Dreyfus is

sued from the prison in a state of collapse. She found her husband much aged, with

beard and hair whitened and body shrunk-

en and stooped. She said Dreyfus knew

nothing of the events of the past two

Years.

The weeping wife acknowledged the courtesy with which she has been treated. The gendarme who was ordered to be present at the interview carried out instructions and kept at a discreet distance.

The Navy Department has awarded the

contract for the Mare Island dry dock to the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific Company, at

other place for him.

Regarding the Samoan Settlement.

end of the fiscal year stood at \$281,380,468.
The receipts from customs during the

In that year they were \$219,000,000.

which was then raging. Had this wa

ceipts were \$516,216,745.

following purposes:

SHERIFF ASKS FOR SOLDIERS

Labor Troubles in Illinois Lead to Bloody Conflicts.

EXCITEMENT PREVAILS

CARBONDALE, Ill., July 1.-Union City, a small town, built and occupied by union miners, near here, was burned at midnight after a battle between the union men and imported negro mirers who were fired upon

Seeking revenge for the killing of a woman and the wounding of twenty men in their party, the negroes raided Union City at midnight. They opened fire on the homes of the union men. The latter promptly replied. The battle lasted until the union miners were driven from their homes and took refuge in a clump of timber close to the village. The non-union men at once applied the torch, and the village was destroyed. The negroes then advanced on the woods where the union miners were concealed, and until daylight a fusillade was kept up between the factions. No lives have so far been reported lost in the engagement. Reinforcement have gone to the aid of the union miners. Reinforcements

A Request for Troops Denied. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 1.-Acting Gov-

ernor Warder has received a dispatch from the sheriff of Williamson county, asking for troops to quell the riots at Union City. The request for troops was not granted, but the acting governor ordered a large supply of guns and ammunition forwarded to the riff, who was instructed to use every effort in his power to suppress the rioters.

A Collision Expected.

CHICAGO, July 1 .- A special to th Times-Herald from Indianapolis says: There is great excitement among the striking coal miners and their sympathizers over the arrival from Pana, Ill., and other points of negroes to take the places of the whites in the mines, and a collision is expected at any moment. The sheriff swore in 200 deputies and has them stationed at the mines where the negroes are at work and the officers of the miners' organization are advising against a demonstration against

Cause of Present Crisis. A dispatch from Marion, Ill., last night

As the train on the Illinois Central railroad, carrying a coach load of negroes from Pana to Brush's mines, one mile north of Carterville, stopped at the Fredonia mine today, three miles northwest of Carterville, a large number of striking union miners opened fire on the negroes, killing one wo-man and wounding about twenty other per-

The miners, about fifty in number, were armed with rifles and were hidden in grass behind the depot. When the train stopped the leader, who was an Italian, got on the platform and commanded the negroes to get out. Conductor Bryan interfered, but was stopped by a pistol pointed in his face. When the train began to move the miners fired into the cars. Bryan yelled to the negroes to throw themselves on the floor. All escaped serious wounds save the woman, who was killed instantly,

han, who was killed instantly.

Before the bloody work could be carried urther the train pulled out for Johnson lity. When it reached a point one mile north of Brush mine the negroes were unand marched across the country to

It is said that a majority of the rioters were negroes, whom Brush Lrought here from the south about a year ago and who have since joined the union. A majority of Brush's miners have been on a strike for a month, although many of

the imported negroes have remained loyal to him. The trouble is a question of wages.

In the common council the recently efect-

NATIONAL GUARD CHANGES.

Announcement of Promotions at the War Department. The Secretary of War today approved the following changes in the National Guard

of the District; Duncan L. Richmond, to be first lieutenant and quartermaster, 2d Battalion, vice Lewis, promoted.

First Sergeant Sheridan Ferree, Company D, 6th Battalion, to be first lieutenant, Com pany D. 6th Battalion, vice Harrison, re

First Lieutenant John H. Lewis, quar termaster, 2d Battalion, to be first lieuten

ant, Company D, 2d Battalion, vice Webb resigned.
First Lieutenant Jesse F. Grant, Com pany B, 1st Battalion, to be captain, Com-pany B, 1st Battalion, vice Shreve, resigned. Second Lieutenant John S. Robinson, Company B, 1st Battalion, to be first lieu

tenant, Company B, 1st Battallon, Grant, promoted.

BONA-FIDE CIRCULATION.

A reference to the statement below will show that the circulation

sworn to is a bona-fide one. It is easily possible for a news paper with an elastic conscience to swell its legitimate circulation enormously, in order to deceive advertisers, by sending out thousands of papers to newsstands which are returnable, and which are in fact returned, but nevertheless are included in what purports to be an honest statement of circulation.

Intelligent advertisers, however, judge by results, and bogus circulations don't give them.

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TUESDAY, June 27, 1899
WEDNESDAY, June 28, 189928,825
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THURSDAY, June 29, 1899
Total

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J. WHIT HERRON.

Cashier, Evening Star Newspaper Co. Subscribed and sworn to before me this tret day of July, A. D. 1809.

GEORGE E. TRALLES, Notary Public, D. C.

New Officials Take Charge of Affairs in Alexandria

Mayor Simpson Delivers an Address and Takes Oath of Office-

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., July 1.-The organization of the new city council which is to direct the legislative affairs of Alexandria for the next two years, was effected at noon today. Much interest was shown in the occasion and the space reserved for spectators was crowded. On the desks of several new members flowers in beautiful designs had een placed by admiring friends. The first business before both bodies was

he choice of a presiding officer. William H. Marbury was re-elected without opposition as president of the board of aldermen. In the common council, however, there was a sharp contest between Hubert Snowden, who has been president of the board for first ballot Mr. Snowden received seven ballots and Mr. Strider eight, with one blank cast. On the second ballot, however, Mr. Strider received nine votes and Mr. Snowden seven. Mr. Strider was therefore declared elected, and was duly sworn in. D. R. Stansbury was chosen clerk without opposition, and J. Chris. Gill was elected

There was a close contest in the upper board over the election of clerk. R. E. Knight, Wm. L. Hoy, Frank G. Grimes and Wm. F. Carne were the candidates. After nine ballots, in which honors were even between Mr. Carne and Mr. Grimes, it was decided to postpone the election until the first regular meeting. There was no election for clerk, and this was also postponed.

Mayor's Address.

After the boards had chosen their officers i joint session was held in the common council chamber. A committee was named to notify the mayor that council was ready to receive him, and Mayor George L. Simpson shortly thereafter appeared and took the oath of office. He made a short ad-dress, in the opening of which he referred to the value of friendly and harmonious relations between men, and asserted that the honors bestowed on him by his fellow townsmen had not failed to endear them to

He briefly discussed the functions belonging to the legislative bodies, emphasizing the importance of harmony and stating the belief that good relations would be maintained between all concerned in the management of municipal affairs. Such conditions, he said, were absolutely necessary to good government, and where they failed to exist disorder and strife would be found and the public good subordinated to private ends.

The mayor made complimentary reference to the gratuitous service rendered the city by those holding seats in council. Their duties were sometimes arduous. and their reward the good will of fellow citizens. He dwelt at some length upon the insidious influence exercised upon the local government by corrupt and scheming indiiduals in every community. Such people, he said, were the greatest

enemies of the public good. Always in the ninority and always defeated in a fair fight, said the speaker, they were yet fre-quently successful in their interference in public matters because of their constant activity.

The intimation was strong that such an element existed in this city, and the mayor warned his hearers against its influ

Aldermen and Councilmen The recently elected members of the board of aldermen who took their seats today

are as follows: First ward, J. M. Hill; second ward, William H. Marbury; third ward, Thomas L.

Clark; fourth ward, William H. Sweeney. J. M. Hill succeeds R. H. Havener, Wm. H. Marbury follows himself, Thomas J., Clark succeeds L. M. Davis and William H. Sweeney follows J. Clinton Smoot. The re-maining four members of this board are B. Doble, first ward; Theadolphus Ballinger,

ed members taking their seats today are First ward, Harry R. Burke, Hubert Snowden, J. H. Trimyer and T. Alton Moore: ward, John H. Strider, William G. Latham and Desmond; third ward, John T. Harrison, Fred Paff, George A. Appich and B. B. Smith; fourth ward, Theodore H. Ficklin, E. E. Lawler, W. H. P. Kelley and Frank T. Evans. In the first ward H. R. Burke is the only new member, C. N. Moore retiring. In the second ward Joseph S. Beach and J. Fred Birrell are followed by Wm. Desmond and Henry Boader. George A. Appich and Fred Paff, from the third ward, follow John H. Greene and Louis Brill. In Desmond; third ward, John T. Harrison, ollow John H. Greene and Louis Brill. In he fourth ward L. E. Uhler and J. M. White retire, being succeeded by Frank E.

Evans and E. E. Lawler. OWNERSHIP OF WATER FRONTS.

President Hill and Vice President La nont Appear Before Secretary Alger. Secretary Alger today gave a hearing to President James J. Hill of the Great Northern railway and Vice President Daniel S. Lamont of the Northern Pacific railway regarding harbor lines at Seattle and Tacoma, in Washington state.

There is some disagreement between the state authorities and private parties and owners of lands along the water fronts of these cities, which has been brought before the War Department in an application for the establishment of harbor that the general government has no authority to establish such lines, as the state owned the tide lands and has the authority to establish lines. The claim is made by the property owners along the water fronts that the state has established lines in sixty feet of water, while piers cannot be built out so far, and that thirty feet depth is sufficient. The state gives the property owners an opportunity to lease the land between the 30-foot depth and 60foot depth, but if they do not lease it claims the right to lease to other parties. The property owners ask that the government establish lines at about the 30-foot and that request was considered

WILL RETAIN CONTRACT.

Secretary Alger Revokes Action or the Driggs-Seabury Case.

Secretary Alger today revoked that portion of the order of the assistant secretary of war relating to the proposals for certain ordnance, which directed that the award to the Driggs-Seabury Gun and Ammunition Company be annulled and that new bids be invited. The contract for twenty six-pounder and eighty fifteen-pounder rap-id-fire guns, mounts and ammunition will therefore be retained by the Driggs-Sea bury Company. That portion of the order which imposes the penalties for delay under their present contract for \$700,000 was

Mr. Boynton's Resignation.

Mr. Charles H. Boynton, for the last five rears night manager of the Associated Press in this city, has resigned from that office and accepted a position in the advertising department of the Royal Baking Powder Company in New York city. Mr. Boynton has resided in this city for seventeen years and has been engaged in news-

paper work for ten years.

He was for a time attached to the reportorial force of The Star and proved a good newsgatherer and a writer of more than ordinary attractiveness. In his position on the Associated Press he has developed excellent judgment, good executive ability and a great capacity for work. His departure from Washington will be sincerely re-gretted by the newspaper fraternity, ali the members of which, however, will wish him prosperity in his new vocation."

House Damaged by Fire. Between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in house No. 231 3d street northeast, occupied by Albert Wicks and Joseph Wondra, and owned by Mrs. Jane Tolson. The damage amounted to about \$300, and is covered by insurance.

The blaze was caused by sparks from the chimney of an adjoining house.

UNION CITY BURNED CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZES THE LABOR CRISIS THE YEAR'S DEFICIT NOISE FOR THE 4TH

Homestead Works.

UNION WORKMEN NOT WANTED PREDICTION FOR NEXT TWELVE MONTES SOME NEW STYLES OF EXPLOSIVES

Nearly 50,000 Tin Plate Workers Revenue From Customs Largely Wholesale Dealers Report Larger Out of Employment Today.

FOUR PLANTS OPERATING

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 1.-The reported strike at the Homestead steel works of the Carnegie Company has not taken place as yet, but the men are much worked up over the discharge of the members of the Amalgamated committee who waited on Superintendent Corey yesterday and demanded the return of the fifteen men dismissed recently for joining the association. Threats of a strike are heard on all sides, but the plant was in full operation today, and all the men were at work, save the twentyour who were discharged.

A meeting of the Homestead workers was in session until an early hour this morning, and a conference with Superintendent Corey was held at 9 o'clock today, but the closest secrecy was maintained by both sides. A short time later Superintendent Corey left the works for Pittsburg to consult with the officials of the company. At the offices in this city nothing could be learned, as the officials preserved their cus-tomary silence upon all matters concern-ing their affairs. When Superintendent Corey was seen he denied that 2,000 men quit last night.

"Can we say authoritatively that there is no strike, and that the men did not quit?"

President Schwab's Position.

President Schwab of the Carnegie company, when asked for a statement about he proposed strike, refused to discuss the matter at all. He would not admit the truth of any conference between himself and Mr. Corey on one side and the com-

mittee of nine on the other.

There are 4,000 men employed in the big works. The company states that only about 250 or 300 of them are really skilled workmen in the sense that term used to be accepted. It is true, the laborers predominate numerically but the nate numerically, but the amalgamated people claim to have received every prom-

people chaim to have received every promise of aid and support from them.

The company has not made any attempt to conceal the reason for the dismissals. It was solely for the reason that the men went into a labor organization when they had been forbidden. The question of wages does not enter into the controversy, the men being as well paid, and, in many instances, better, than those mills recogniz-ing the unions and paying what is known as the "scale rate.

Stand of the Company.

The Amalgamated Association has been working with the Carnegie employes for some time. It was intended to make the matter of formation of the organization public several weeks ago and declare an open fight. A secret ballot was taken, and it was decided to keep the secret, awaiting developments. The officials of the com-pany, by some means, came to know that some of their employes were members of the union. Discharges immediately follow-ed, with the plain statement by the officials that they did not want union men in their

One by one men were discharged as their affiliation with the labor organization became known. That there has been much quiet work done among the men during the ast five years is known among the officials of the organization. Five years ago open meetings were held at Homestead for the purpose of gaining a foothold. The meetings were well attended, but the men were afraid to show their colors. Many of them were discharged for their attendance at these gatherings. The open pick were the these gatherings. The open pian was then abandoned and secret work begun.

Nine Firms Sign Scale.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July year of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers began today, with a better record for the union than has been made for more than half a dozen years. Nine individual firms and the representatives of the American Hoop Company, Republic Iron and Steel Company, and the ciation have signed the scale so far, and a number of other signatures are expected before the day closes. Of the nine indi-vidual firms signing five have been running non-union for a number of years; one had been idle for seven years, resuming late in the winter; one is a new mill, and another has never been anything else than a union

Hyde Park Iron and Steel Company of Hyde Park, Pa. The mills that have not signed, but at which scales have been presented, are Spang, Chalfant & Co., Pittsburg Forge and Iron Company and Moor-head Brothers & Co. Of these all but fifty men are out at Spang's, the works of the Forge company down and Moorhead's plant is still in op-

Tin Plate Mills Shut Down.

The local firms not recognizing the union are the Carnegie Steel Company, Jones & Laughlin's, Park Steel Company, J. Painter & Sons, Wm. Clark Sons Company and Singer, Nimick & Co. At several of these the workmen are secretly connected with the amalgamated, but no attempt was made at this time to insist upon the scale. and all the plants were in full operation today, with no trouble threatening except at Carnegie's, where war was declared the discharge of a number of workmen known to be members.

As the result of the failure to agree upon the tin plate scale, all the mills in the country are idle today, barring four nonunion plants, and nearly 50,000 skilled and unskilled workmen are out of employment pending a settlement.

Statement of Carnegle Company, PITTSBURG, Pa., July 1.-The following official statement was issued by the Car-

negie Steel Company today: "With reference to the reported strike ast night at the Homestead steel works, it was stated at the office of the Carnegie Steel Company today that the mills were running full during the night and are running full this morning, and that none of the employes left the works during the night, as was reported.

"A number of workmen have been dis-charged, including a committee of thirteen, which called upon Superintendent Corev yesterday to request the reinstatement men previously discharged for cause. T plant will close down at noon today, as is usual on Saturday.'

Mass Meeting Tonight.

The Amalgamated Association has arranged for a mas's meeting of the employes of Carnegie's at Homestead tonight. Vice' President Benjamin I. Davis of Cambridge, Ohio, has arrived in the city, and will take charge at Homestead, and will remain until the matter is settled. He says he does not anticipate a repetition of the battle of 1892, and that he will do everything in his power to prevent trouble in the event of a strike. The situation, he says, is more encouraging than in 1892, for the reason that there is a scarcity of labor at present, and the demand for the product is such that the company cannot afford to close down.

Men Reported Leaving Work. PITTSBURG, Pa., July 1.-It is reported that 500 skilled workmen left their places at the Homestead steel works today and

There was no evidence of this at the mills, however, as all departments were in opera-tion. The town was quiet and scarcely any evidence of a labor trouble was noticed. It is stated that none of the employes who went through the strike in 1892 are in favor of the movement.

Ask for Division of Funds. A suit has been filed in equity by Emm; Brotten, James W. Miller and Cornelia Howard against E. N. Waters and J. L. Heiskell, trustees, asking for a division of funds in the hands of the latter under the direction of the court.

Threats of a Strike at the Carnegie Official Statement of Receipts and Children Preparing for a Vigorous Celebration.

Sales Than Last Year.

EFFECT OF DINGLEY LAW NOVELTIES IN PYROTECHNICS

The Treasury Department deficit for the The small boy and his sister, together fiscal year ended yesterday, according to with the grown-up children of the family, the official figures promulgated this afterare preparing to celebrate the Fourth of noon, is \$88,875,989. The total expenditures July in a noisy manner and with a blaze of pyrotechnics. Everything imaginable which will make a noise in the daytime and show The receipts for the year were divided as a light at night and which carries a smell follows: Customs, \$206,507,812.15; internal of gunpowder and saltpeter is being laid in by the juvenile population of Washington revenue, \$273,142,490.30; miscellaneous, \$36,-566,442.97. The expenditures were for the against the coming patriotic celebration.

> glades and giens if he desires to escape the cannonading which the urchins have in contemplation. Firecrackers, torpedoes and giant crackers by day, with Roman candles, sky rockets and bombs after nightfall, will make eighteen lively hours in this vicinity. The wholesale dealers in fireworks report that the sales this year are in excess of last

It behooves the nervous citizen to va-

moose very early in the morning to sylvan

that the sales this year are in excess of last year. Thus in quantity the ensuing celebration may be expected to be excessive over last Fourth of July. Furthermore, some new and more devilish devices for breaking the peace of the neighborhood have been manufactured and placed on sale, and as the small boy is eager to grasp at every opportunity offered in this direction, an improvement, if it can be called such, in the quality of the din may be looked for.

All over the city little shops have sprung up for the sale of fireworks at retail and regular dealers have laid in stocks. The Chinese laundrymen dispiay the little red packages of firecrackers in their shop winpackages of firecrackers in their shop win-dows and prospective purchasers will have no difficulty in getting dinmakers if they have the price.

Styles of Firecrackers.

A Star reporter who visited some of the wholesale and retail fireworks establishments gained an idea of what is in store for the stay-at-home, on the Fourth of July, by looking over the stocks of goods and inquiring about the ready-sellers. The old-fashioned firecracker, dear to the heart of every boy, is still the prime favorite. While some crackers are made in this country, the Chinese article in small sizes still holds its place in the market. The Amerestimated then there will be no deficit for this year. If the War Department exceeds its estimates, however, there may be a change in the situation. Exactly what the A package of firecrackers can be beauty war in the Philippinas is received. A package of firecrackers can be bought for 2 cents now, and the contents will keep an unambitiour youngster occupied for some time, and afford him the delight of making much noise, if he does not shoot them all off at one time. But the up-todate American and is growing away from the little crackers, and now demands a bigger noise, for which he is willing to pay more, so the American fireworks makers have introduced the cannon crackers.

The largest is thirteen inches long, makes a report like a cannon. If it were exploded in a house it would shake the building and break up the furniture in the room. One of these can be bought for 10 cents. Then there is a smaller size, but that is an ear-splitter, nevertheless, which sells for 10 cents a dozen. Another favorite in this line is called the thunderbolt; it is five inches long and would be better. is five inches long, and would take a boy's fingers off like a buzz saw if he held on to it. This sells for 10 cents a dozen.

Nocturnal Fireworks. The old-fashioned Roman candles are still

on sale and are very cheap. They can be bought for 20 cents a dozen now, where they used to sell for 75 cents. They are sold in great quantities, as they furnish a reasonable amount of display for a small sum of money. Skyrockets are always good appointment of Jacob J. Membert as ma sellers, and many new and beautiful varie- chinist, a newly-created office in the departties are to be obtained of the dealers. ment. There is the plain old screecher, which goes Mr. up with a whizz like a flery serpent and drops a stick upon the head of the unsuspecting citizen after a time. Then there is the parachute, which, after ascending as a rocket, bursts in the air and spreads flame and sparks in the form of a parachute. The willow tree rocket bursts and sends down long, drooping streamers of fire, and the chain rocket festoons the dark sky with chains of fire. These are expensive, ranging in price from 25 cents to \$1 each. There is a large variety of the familiar old pin wheel, triangles which are pinned to a tree or a fence and spin around, sending out showers of sparks in every direction. These range in price from 5 cents to a dol-lar, and some of them are very beautiful. The lively little devil-chasers have always been a favorite with the mischievous and they are on sa'e by the thousands, at 10 cents a dozen. These are set off on the ground and skip around in every direction, making a great sputtering the while.

Torpedoes and Bombs.

Torpedoes are said to sell rapidly this year The little girls like them and they come cheap, 10 cents a dezen packages for the small ones. The "cat-scat" torpedo is a terror, and dropped by the side of an unsuspecting person would produce great sport for the small boy. Allied to the torpedo family is the paper cap, for exploding, of which various devices are provided. Giant caps are on sale, and it is a favorite pastime to place them on the street car rails to be set off by the car wheels other device is a walking cane, blank cartridge is placed, and when struck upon the pavement explodes.

The American manufacturers now get up

very elaborate pieces in bombs. One of these, called the dragon's nest, explodes high in air and scatters a brood of serpents and dragons in every direction. Floral bombshells are also sold, which make noise and please the eye at the same time. Greek fire is sold in great quantities. This is burned on the sidewalk and throws a glare of colored light upon the surroundbesides filling the air with a pungent odor of Fourth of July, which is indis-pensable to the happiness of the average child. Flying pigeons are set off on the ground and soar into the air, leaving a wake of sparks. Pistols and cannons are still very pop-

ular. A boy can get a nickel-plated pistol for 10 cents, which looks like the real thing, but shoots only caps. The cannons are of all sizes, but all deadly. The necessary ad-junct is a glass bottle of powder, usually, and when a careless match is added to the equation, the ambulance is next in order.

Some of the Season's Novelties.

This year finds the dealers with an endless variety of small truck in fireworks, nevelties which bear attractive names, and are sold at low prices. Their mission is to make an explosion and a flash, and the one which creates the biggest noise gets the most pennies from the boys. There are "heavenly twins," "flying Dutchmen," "Dewey chasers," "devil among the tailors," and a hundred other varieties.

One of the novelties of the season is a whistling firecracker. It makes a shrill whistle before exploding, and the boy thinks he is getting a double dosd of noise for his money. The whistling blows a long blost of a warding before the control of the con

blast as a warning before setting sail for its lofty flight in air. The Chinamen who deal in fireworks have

the Chinamen who deal in freworks have to content themselves with selling the old stereotyped styles of explosives, but they claim superior quality for their goods. Their manufacturers have not got the galt of the inventive Yankees yet, so they content themselves with selling rockets, Roman candles and firecrackers, with big cannon candles wranged in curious with the selling rockets. crackers wrapped in curious wicker pack-

MR. MERRITT'S SUCCESSOR. Mr. Madden Begins Dutles as Third

Assistant Postmaster General.

Mr. E. C. Madden assumed the office of third assistant postmaster general today. Yesterday afternoon he was presented by his predecessor, General Merritt, to the several chiefs of divisions and a number of the clerks. This morning he took the oath of office and entered at once upon his new duties. Later in the day he called at the White House to pay his respects to the President. Changes in Olerical Forces Caused by Ap-

Discharge of Thirty on Temporary Roll Caused by Expiration of National Defense Appropriation.

propriation Bills.

that the appropriations for that department for the fiscal year beginning today make comparatively few changes in the clerical force of that department. The fact that the appropriation for the "national defense" expired yesterday necessitated the discharge of thirty persons employed on the temporary roll, who had been paid out of that appropriation. It is stated that no new offices were created by the laws which go into effect today, and that no promo tions or reductions were made in conse quence of new appropriations. The condition of the appropriation for the employment of temporary employes is such that it is probable that further reductions in that roll will be necessary in the course of the next few months.

Navy Department.

The following changes went into effect in the Navy. Department today as a conse quence of new legislation: D. A. Green from appointment clerk at \$2,250 to chief of the bureau of construction and repair at \$2,000; Wm. A. Smith, from clerk, Secretary's office, at \$1,000 to chief clerk, bureau of yards and docks, at \$2,000; N. S. Faucet from clerk, bureau of supplies and accounts, at \$1,800 to chief clerk of the bureau at \$2,000; C. T. Earle, from chief clerk of bureau of medicine and surgery at \$1,900 to same at \$2,000; D. A. Denison, from chief clerk of bureau of navigation at \$1,800 to same at \$2,000; E. S. Brandt, from chief clerk, bureau of ordnance, at \$1,800 to same at \$2,000; W. H. H. Smith, from chief clerk bureau of steam engineering, at \$1,800 to same at \$2,000; A. C. Wrenn, from chief ureau of equipment, at \$1,400 to office of naval intelligence at \$1,600; F. M. Lanigan, copyist, office naval intelligence, from \$3.26 per day to \$1,400; Miss N. E. Kuhlman, m copyist, same, from \$3.26 per \$1,400; G. P. Parks and R. sborne, from copyists, office naval intel ligence, at \$3.26 per day, to \$1,000; Miss Isabel Smith, copylst, library, from \$1,200 to \$1,400; Miss Nannie D. Barney, copylst, library, irom \$1,000 to \$1,200; Mrs. A. H. Eastman, copyist, library, from \$900 to \$1,000; Miss A. M. F. Ford, copyist, library, from \$720 to \$900.

State Department.

Three appointments and two promotions were made in the clerical force of the State Department today in accordance with appropriations for the current fiscal year The appointments were as follows: Joseph H. Bolton of New York, at \$1,200.

transferred from Post Office Department at \$990; Alfred B. C. Clement of Massachusetts, at \$1,200, transferred from pen-sion office; William H. Brett of Georgia at \$1,000, transferred from patent office; Leonard A. Merritt of Wisconsin was pro-moted from \$1,000 to \$1,200; D. Hugh Reed of North Carolina, promoted from \$000 to \$1,200. Interior and Post Office. Several changes and promotions were

names were withheld from publication. Merritt O. Chance, private secretary of the fourth assistant postmaster general, was today made chief clerk of the fourth assistant's office, vice J. L. Bristow, re-

made in the Interior and the Post Office de-

partments today, in accordance with pro-

visions of the appropriation bill, but the

CHIEF PARRIS' STATEMENT. Comment Upon Criticism of a Recen Appointment.

come to the knowledge of Chief Parris of the fire department that there are some persons, not connected with the department, who are disposed to criticise the Mr. Parris said this afternoon that th

was but one applicant for the place from among the firemen, and he is receiving a salary equal to that attached to the new place. Mr. Membert is regarded as pecu-liarly well qualified to perform his new duties, as he assisted in building several of place. the fire engines now in use in this put one of them together.

MEETING CALLED.

Dewey Executive Committee to As

semble Monday Afternoon. Chairman W. H. Moses of the Dewey re ception committee has called a meeting of the executive committee for 4 o'clock next Monday afternoon, to consider the report of the committee appointed to confer with the President. The meeting will be held at the rooms of the board of trade.

Real Estate Transfers.

Nineteenth street northwest between N and O streets-Theo. F. Swayze et ux. to Romenia F. Rhees, lot 57, square 115; \$20,-

Dobbins' addition to Washington-Joseph Paul et ux to Ray D. Middaugh, lots 11 to 25, square 6; \$10 (stamps, \$19). Eleventh street northwest between N and O streets-Wm. J. Rhees et ux. to Theo. F.

Swayze, lot 8, square 339; \$8,500. Lanier Heights—Samuel R. Bond, trustee, to Arthur B. Baker, lot 62; \$6,000. Ninth street northwest between I and K streets-William McGuire et ux. to Ella L. parts original lots 2 and 4, square

(stamps, \$5.50). Eleventh street northwest between E and F streets—Julia B. Magee et vir. John H. to Thomas V. Smith and Seymour B. Wright, trustees for W. B. Moses & Sons, south half original lot 14, square 321; \$24,000. University Heights—James L. Sherwood et ux. to Calchering E. Campbell bet 1. University Heights—James L. Sherwood et ux. to Catherine E. Campbell, lot 1, block 8; \$1,500.

Rosedale and Isherwood-Walter Hieston to Charles R. and Thomas G. Luscombe, part lots 16, 17, 18, block 22; \$10 (50 cents South grounds, Columbian University-Clara C. Farrar to Melissa E. Davis, part ot 58; \$9,500.
Thirty-third and N streets northwest-

John Larcombe et al., trustees, to Samuel S. Lutz, part lot 102 and part of King's Acre, square 1230; \$5,000. Nineteenth street northwest between Q and R streets—Beatrice B. Bache et al. to George M. Koher, part lot 136, square 134,

C street southeast between 18th and 19th streets-Caroline M. Noble to Alphonson McClay, lots B to E, square 112, \$10 (stamps, \$1.50).
Twining City-Marion Duckett et al. trustees, to Baltimore Building and Loan Association, lot 1, block 5, \$1,975.

Eighth street northeast between G and H

streets-Geo. M. Strieby, trustee, to Frank En J. Foster, lot 55, square 890, \$10. Reno-Frances Diggs et vir. A Isalah W. Scott, lot 18, blk. 1; \$400. Aaron to Nineteenth street and New York avenue northwest-Harry S. Houghton et al., trustees, to Henry F. Getz, original lot 1, sq.

Marine Band Concert Postponed. The Marine Band concert at the White

House for this afternoon was called off by advice of Dr. Rixey, Mrs. McKinley's phy sician. Dr. Rixey stated that Mrs. McKinley is improving each day, but that he did not care to take the risk of a setback by the noises which might be occasioned by the crowd which attends these concerts. The postponement of the concert need not occasion any alarm as to Mrs. McKinley's

Wills Filed for Probate. Two wills were filed for probate today.

That of William Schoonover, dated February 25, 1800, bequeaths to Elizabeth Padgett of Prince George's county, Md., a piece of property in that county, and the residue of the estate to a brother of the testator, George W. Schoonover of Port Jarvis, N. Y. James P. Periey's will, dated November

James P. Periey's will, dated November 10, 1807, places a majority of his property in the hands of Jerry F. Ritter, to be held in trust and managed, the income going to the testajor's wife. Lydia F. Perley, Mr. Ritter is also named as sole executor, to give bond in the sum of \$10,000.

A NEW DEPARTMENTAL YEAR FINANCE AND TRADE

Buoyant Prices in Spite of Adverse

FOR THIS CONDITION

American Investors Get Larger It is stated at the War Department Percentage of Earnings

THE LONG HOLIDAY

NEW YORK, July 1.-There were in to-

day's market two factors which would

have, under ordinary conditions, either depressed prices or restricted business, namely, a holiday in London and the certainty of a considerable decrease in bank reserves. That conditions are not ordinary is attested by the buoyancy of prices in spite of these facts, and the explanation is that the cilmax in unfavorable routine developments has been reached. Money advanced from 4 to 5 per cent in yesterday's market, but stocks thrived most under the latter rate, so today ...e most confident trading followed the publication of the bank statement. Pennsylvania Railway, Rock Island, Burlington, St. Paul and Union Pacific Preferred were taken in round amounts right up to the close of business. Strong interests bought confidently and not a few shares are to be taken out of the street, paid for with the haif year's profits in commercial enterprises

American investors get a larger percentage of American corporation earnings for the last six months than ever before. The country has demonstrated its capacity for constructing, operating and financing its own enterprises. It has bought back its issues from foreign holders in such abundance that the achievement gives them new merit in foreign eyes and creates another demand abroad. America can very appropriately celebrate her financial independence in connection with the forthcoming American investors get a larger percentpriately celebrate her financial independence in connection with the forthcoming annual celebration of her political independence. During the half year a tremendous wave of improvement has passed over Wall street and new price standards have been The advance was stayed at a time when

enthusiasm seemed destined to foster dis-aster. For nearly three months overloaned accounts have been undergoing a process of liquidation. The daily introduction of new industrial corporations, capitalized at the promoters' estimate of the public's gullibility, has been checked. Disappointment as to the winter wheat crop has been met, but the succession crop must yet pass into the area of known quantities.

Gold shipments, under novel conditions. Gold shipments, under novel conditions have been going on, until about \$19,000,000

has been sent out of the country. At the beginning of the second half of the year there is a speculative level which has not exhausted value, over \$150,000,000 in interest and dividend disbursements are being made religional earnings are good the great made, railroad earnings are good, the great railroad corporations are coming into a closer commercial union, gold exports are waning, bank reserves are expected to grow in strength and money at the bor-rowers' terms is predicted. Some of the larger operators recently committed to lower prices were liberal buyers today and louses with western connections came prominently forward in the demand. A large outstanding short interest is be A large outstanding short interest is be-lieved to exist in the industrials, but this can wait without injury to future plans. A fair proportion of the buying of the last two or three days may be set down to a desire to sell at the probably improved val-uation growing out of a public demand after the holidays. Such selling cannot of itself hurt the main trend of the market. Conservative buying on such declines is al-most certain to appear.

Conservative buying on such declines is almost certain to appear.

The bank statement reflects a loss of \$12,-392,500 in lawful money, almost all in specie. Loans have increased \$8,015,600 and deposits have decreased \$3,877,000. The net change reduces the reserve by \$11,423,250, bringing the total surplus above legal requirements down to about \$14,000,000.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. New York Stock Market.

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CHICAGO, July 1.-Grain: High. 74 75% 34% 34% 24% 21% Low. 72% 74% 33% 34% 24% 21% CHICAGO, July 1.-Provision Pork-July..... NEW YORK, July 1.-Cotton 5.58 5.58 5.65 5.71

Government Bonds

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Regulating Sale of Fireworks. The police have been directed by Major Sylvester, superintendent of that department, to confine the sales of fireworks to the insides of the stores of dealers and to see that no sales are made from stands. The disposal of such articles to small boys is also forbidden, and no explosion of fireworks of any description will be permitted in neighborhoods where there are sick persons.

Pensions were granted today to the following residents of the District of Colum

f. H. Wagner, increase, \$6 to \$8; Charles W. Tabler, \$17; Silas A. Coles, \$30; William Clarke, \$17.